

OREGON TUALATIN VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB



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Field Day Report

By Alan Roehl, KO7B

HOLY OTVARC BATMAN! HAMS SKIP MOVIE PREMIER TO PARTICIPATE IN FIELD DAY

Even though the newspapers and TV ballyhooed the premier of the Batman movie on the last full weekend of June, amateur radio operators from all over the nation chose instead to participate in Field Day exercises. And in Oregon, the added peril of record high temperatures failed to deter members of OTVARC from doing their part.

It all started on Thursday June 22 when the first participants arrived at Willamette Mission State Park, this year's Field Day site. By Friday noon the antennas started going up, with Dee, KA7NPN leading the charge. The OTVARC travelers were there in force to demonstrate their exemplary cooking skills. The only complaint regarding the cuisine heard all weekend came from Warren, N7BIJ, because he was not allowed to be served a second helping of spaghetti at the same time he was served the first helping.

Friday evening's entertainment almost came from Jack, KA7HOJ. You see he brought his keyboard synthesizer, his computer and a cable to connect the two to each other. Somehow he forgot the floppy disk which makes the synthesizer hum merrily along under the control of the computer. At least one could say that Jack is good with the hardware.

Saturday at 11 A.M. PDT, the Field Day stations commenced operation. OTVARC was in class 3A. That means there were 3 transmitters in simultaneous operation and that it was a club effort on a portable basis. Actually there was also a fourth transmitter. The rules permit an additional transmitter to be operated by only Novice/Technician class operators to help the club effort without counting as an extra transmitter.

Many dedicated operators kept things going right through the night. Jeff, K7JF, brought his keyboard all the way

from Tacoma to help with the CW operation. Ray, K7VDQ, discovered that others could actually copy his CW transmissions when he used the keyboard.

It was a good thing that there were a few people at the site with an acumen for automotive repair. If you want to know how come, you might ask Al, WB7SIC for additional details.

Sunday morning's breakfast was as good as they come. Please take pity on any members who missed this fantastic meal. Shortly after breakfast the Field Day operation came to a close and the antennas started coming down.

In case you are wondering about the results, the final tally will probably be included in the November issue of QST. Bob, N7CTY, generously agreed to use his computer to dupe the log sheets. The final QSO count was 1507. Great job folks!

Maybe next year Batman will have time to join the Gotham City ARC for their Field Day activities. See you then!

Contest Committee Report

WORKED ALL OTVARC AWARD

You have heard of the Worked All States Award, the Worked All Continents award...WELL get ready for the Worked All OTVARC Award!

The Worked All OTVARC Award, the brainchild of Rick (KA5OLH), promises to generate activity on the air and in person. Eyeball QSOs (meeting the other Ham in person) and on the air contacts will count toward the award. If you are new to the club, or just don't know very many of us, get ready for information overload!

This will be a prestigious award with several levels of recognition. The highest level will be a patch or an

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Words from the President

By Ray Deeth, K7VDQ

After thinking about what to write about this month, I suddenly realized no report has been given to the membership concerning Executive Board meetings.

Your board has been real active in formalizing a direction for the club to go in achieving several objectives. The executive board did brain storm some excellent ideas in promoting Amateur Radio in the Community as well as promoting educational part of Ham Radio. Hopefully I can work up a detailed report to be presented at the regular July meeting.

In view of the recent financial stability which the club has experienced after two successful HAM Conventions, the club can initiate some excellent programs to make the public aware of how beneficial Amateur Radio is to a community. We need to do more in removing the CB image from Amateur Radio.

I know mentioning Christmas this early in the year is a bit ridiculous. However, a HOLIDAY FESTIVAL type of program is being organized for the regular December meeting. Knowing how hectic Christmas time is for most families, the meeting night seems to be the ideal time to hold a HOLIDAY FESTIVAL.

An inquiry was made of the Beaverton ELKS regarding their Christmas community service project this year. They informed me the ELKS budget several thousand dollars each year for delivery of Christmas Baskets to needy families. Accordingly, the Club HOLIDAY FESTIVAL could help fill these baskets. I would like this years theme for the HOLIDAY FESTIVAL preparations to be, "The spirit of sharing."

A committee is being formed to have a complete FESTIVAL program ready for presentation at the regular September meeting. More details to follow at the July meeting. If you wish to volunteer for this project, contact Pat, KA7UFG, who has an open telephone line (649-0837), to offer your time and talent in planning the OTVARC Festival activities this year.

The SALEM visitors at our last meeting really made the Field Day program a success. I would like to again thank the SALEM AMATEUR RADIO CLUB for their participation in meeting. I do hope more visits of this nature can be arranged in the future. Their FIELD DAY on the State Capitol grounds should be well attended by a captive audience of loggers.

In closing, you are being encouraged to drop in on 10 meters - 28.456MHZ - Anytime from 7:00pm until 10:00pm.

Club Project Survey

The following ideas were tossed out among the board and no order was really given as to priority. Therefore, club members are being asked to assist the executive board in prioritizing these ideas and add any others to the list. Please take a few minutes to fill out this form, clip it out and bring it to the July club meeting.

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1. Club Repeater	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Club Meeting Hall	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Adopt Foreign Ham	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Plaque for Silent Keys	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Scholarship Program	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Club V.E. Program	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Work up a Ham Program on Public Access Cable TV	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Write an article on Amateur Radio local newspaper	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Public Service to Migrant Camps	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

WRITE-IN IDEAS:

10. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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REMARKS:

The "Will Support" column also means volunteers to help organize and carry through with any of the listed projects.

Please prioritize the above items in the space provided below. Put the number of the highest priority item in the blank behind number 1, second behind number 2, and so on.

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____ 7. _____
8. _____ 9. _____ 10. _____ 11. _____ 12. _____ 13. _____

Please cut out this form and bring it to the July meeting, or mail to:

OTVARC Survey
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enameled pin (we hope), earned by meeting or QSOing 200 OTVARC members.

Work on this awarded will begin later this summer. Watch this newsletter for more details.

SEPTEMBER VHF CONTEST

OTVARC's Contest Committee will be sponsoring a Portland Area wide contest in conjunction with a major national contest for two hours on Saturday, September 9th, from 7 P.M. to 9 P.M. (local time).

This activity will have one really neat side effect: it will give our local serious VHF contesters a chance to win the contest, something almost unheard of before now.

This activity is in response to the contest survey. Many of you responded asking for a two meter contest on a weekend. Stay tuned for details and contest rules.

Project Night Plans

By Terry Biggs, WB7CHK

The Technical committee has again decided to not have project sessions for the coming months of June, July and August. This worked out very well last year, and if successful this year, could become an annual break. It seems that with the kids out of school and all, it is hard for people to make time for the build sessions.

I'm really delighted with the response we have had regarding suggestions for future projects. At our August meeting, by a show of hands vote, we will decide what our next project will be. The suggestions to date are: Power Supply, 10 Meter Beam, Speaker Amp, Noise Bridge, Transmatch, E.L.T. System, Timer for Battery Charger, Antenna Selector Switch, Bandpass Filters for H.F. Transceivers, Q.R.P. H.F. Transmatch, Iambic Keyer.

If you have suggestions for other than what is listed, please let Dee, KA7NPN or myself know. Thank you for your support.

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Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month at the Beaverton Elks Lodge, 3500 S.W. 104th Avenue, Beaverton, Oregon. Meetings begin at 7:00 P.M. following a buffet dinner served at 6:15 P.M.

All correspondence other than for this newsletter should be sent to: Oregon Tualatin Valley Amateur Radio Club, Post Office Box 5132, Beaverton, Oregon 97006-0132.

Preliminary SEAPAC Wrap Up

By Randy Stimson, KZ7T

This will be one of the final wrap-ups for SEAPAC. I would like to thank all of the volunteers who helped make the convention such a great success. If you read last month's newsletter, you will know that we are going to have a party for all of the people that helped. This party will be by invitation only, so I need to know if I missed anyone. I tried very hard to keep track of everyone but with all of the meetings I could have missed someone. If you would look this list over, and if you find I did miss someone, please call me ASAP so that we can have the party in July. I will wait until the July board meeting before I mail out the invites. The party is set for Sunday July 23rd. Thank you again and I will get a better article later when it is really all over. Here is the list, please check it carefully and call me at 297-1175 if you find any mistakes.

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